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IOWA REPORT - NEW SCIENCE STANDARDS

Report. Members of lowa's Science Standards Review Team have completed a final report on their recommendation that lowa adopt the Next Generation Science Standards, with some modifications, as lowa's new science standards. The report was submitted to the State Board of Education for consideration.

Background. The Next Generation Science Standards were developed by a collaborative group of 26 states, including lowa. Academic standards represent consistent expectations for what students should know and be able to accomplish from kindergarten through grade 12. Iowa's academic standards are being reviewed, beginning with science, as part of <u>Executive Order 83</u> by Governor Branstad.

Additional Information. The Next Generation Science Standards are available at: http://www.nextgenscience.org/. For more information about the lowa Science Standards Review Team and the completed report, visit the lowa Department of Education website.

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